# Site: Apples Overall Confidence Rating: High

Background: A total of 641,000 acres are planted in apples in the United states. Organophosphate pesticides (OP) represent 68% of all pesticide usage on this crop with an average of 2.82 applications per year. Analysis of OP usage was conducted for the following five major apple regions: New England (CT, MA, ME, RI, NH, NJ, NY, VT), North Central (MI and OH), Appalachian-Southern (DE, GA, MD, NC, PA, SC, TN, VA, WV), Western (AZ and CA), and Pacific North. (OR and WA). Insecticide use patterns and key pests vary both between and within regions. In the absence of effective controls, key pests can destroy 50-90% of the crop. Due to low damage threshold levels in apples, biological control is limited to indirect pests (non-fruit feeding) with little contribution against direct pests.

Organophosphate	osphate % Treat		ated # Appli		cations Rate (lb		PHI (	days)
Pesticides	Max <sup>23</sup>	Avg <sup>23</sup>	Max <sup>21</sup>	Avg <sup>2-11</sup>	Max <sup>21</sup>	Avg <sup>2-11</sup>	Min <sup>21</sup>	Avg
azinphos-methyl	64.7	61.4	4	2.1	3.1	0.8	7	
chlorpyrifos	53	44	NS	1.6	4	1.4	30	
diazinon	6	3	NS	1.6	5	1.2	21	
dimethoate	14.9	7.4	NS	1.3	2.0	0.8	28	
malathion	15	10	NS	1.1	2.3	0.8	21	
methyl parathion	25	18	NS	1.0	2	2.0	21	
phosmet	34	22	NS	2.9	4	1.1	7	

Confidence Rating: H= high confidence = data from several confirming sources; confirmed by personal experience

M = medium confidence = data from only a few sources; may be some conflicting or unconfirmed info.

L = low confidence = data from only one unconfirmed source

Organophosphate Target Pests for Apple in New England Region (Primary pests controlled by the OP's) <sup>6, 9, 17, 18</sup>											
Major	Bug (Tarnished Plant), Aphids (Rosy Apple, Apple, and Spirea), Apple Maggot, Plum Curculio										
Moderate	Leafroller (Obliquebanded and Redbanded))										
Minor	Fruitworm (Green and Sparganothis), Sawfly (European Apple), Leafhopper (White Apple and Potato), Scale (San Jose), Mite (European Red), Leafminer (Spotted Tentiform)										

Major = 20+% of all OP usage on pest; Moderate = 5-20% of all OP usage on pest; Minor =<5% of all OP usage on pest

Organophosph	Organophosphate Target Pests for Apple in North Central Region (Primary pests controlled by the OP's) <sup>7, 10, 16</sup>										
Major	Codling Moth, Apple Maggot										
Moderate	Aphid (Green Apple and Rosy Apple), Fruitworm (Green), Leafroller (Fruit Tree, Red Banded, Oblique Banded, and Variegated), Scale (San Jose), Plum Curculio,										
Minor	Mites (European Red, Rust, and Two Spotted Spider), Fruit/Bud Moth (Oriental Fruit, Tufted Apple Bud, and Eye-Spotted Bud), Leafminer (), Bug (Tarnished Plant and Stink), Leafhopper (White Apple and Potato), Borer (Dogwood)										

Major = 20+% of all OP usage on pest; Moderate = 5-20% of all OP usage on pest; Minor =<5% of all OP usage on pest

Organophospha	Organophosphate Target Pests for Apple in Appalachian-Southern Region (Primary pests controlled by the OP's) <sup>3,4,14,15</sup>										
Major	or Aphid (Rosy Apple, Apple, Spirea and Apple Grain), Codling Moth										
Moderate	Leafroller (Red Banded and Oblique Banded), Scale (San Jose), Mites (European Red, Twospotted Spider, and Apple Rust), Bug (Tarnished Plant and Mullein Plant), Leafhopper (White Apple, Rose, and Potato)										
Minor	Fruit/Bud Moth (Tufted Apple Bud and Oriental Fruit), Leafminer (Spotted Tentiform), Plum Curculio, Apple Maggot, Fruitworm (Green)										

Major = 20+% of all OP usage on pest; Moderate = 5-20% of all OP usage on pest; Minor =<5% of all OP usage on pest

Organophospha	Organophosphate Target Pests for Apple in Western Region (Primary pests controlled by the OP's) <sup>8, 19, 20</sup>										
Major	Major Aphid (Rosy Apple, Green Apple, and Green Peach), Codling Moth										
Moderate	Scale (San Jose, Italian Pear, and Grape Mealybug)										
Minor	Mites (European Red, Apple Rust, Pacific Spider, and McDaniel Spider), Borer (Pacific Flatheaded)										

Major = 20+% of all OP usage on pest; Moderate = 5-20% of all OP usage on pest; Minor =<5% of all OP usage on pest

Organophosph	Organophosphate Target Pests for Apple in Pacific North Region (Primary pests controlled by the OP's) <sup>2, 11, 12, 13</sup>										
Major	Leafrollers (Pandemis, Oblique Banded, Fruittree, and European), Codling Moth										
Moderate	Scale (San Jose and Oystershell ), Fruitworm (Green, Speckled Green, and Pyamidal), Apple Maggot, Aphid (Green Apple, Rosy Apple, and Apple Grain), Mites (European Red, Apple Rust, Twospotted Spider, and McDaniel Spider)										
Minor											

Major = 20+% of all OP usage on pest; Moderate = 5-20% of all OP usage on pest; Minor =<5% of all OP usage on pest

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Site: Apples Region: North Central

Pest	Organophosphate	Efficacy	Mkt	Class	Alt. Pesticide List	Efficacy	Mkt	Constraints of Alternatives
Timing: Pre-	Bloom							
Aphid (Rosy Apple,	azinphos-methyl		Lo	С	methomyl	0	Mod	<b>Pyrethroid</b> use will cause mite outbreaks as a result of disrupting biological control. Mite outbreaks would entail more miticide applications with potential for resistance.
Green Peach, and Spirea,	chlorpyrifos	• - ©	High	C	oxamyl	О	Lo	
does not include	dimethoate	● - ◎	Lo	P	esfenvalerate	•		Esfenvalerate and endosulfan do not provide
Wooly)	methyl parathion	• - 😊		P	permethrin	•		adequate efficacy against aphids.
(Moderate)				СН	endosulfan	•	High	<b>Imidicloprid</b> resistance can be expected without other effective OP alternatives.
				О	imidacloprid	©		Oil efficacy is dependent upon suitable weather
				О	petroleum oil	• - ©		conditions and may cause phytotoxicity at temperatures below 40°F.
Fruitworm	azinphos-methyl		Mod	С	methomyl	0		Pyrethroids may flare many pests by killing
(Moderate)	chlorpyrifos	<b>©</b>	Mod	P	esfenvalerate	<b>©</b>	Lo	predators and beneficials. Pyrethroid use against Fruitworm would lead to increased miticide
	diazinon	•		P	permethrin	☺	High	applications with potential for development of resistance.
	methyl parathion	•						
	phosmet		High					
Leafroller (Moderate)	azinphos-methyl	3	High	С	carbaryl	•		Indications of leafroller resistance to <b>methomyl</b> .
(Wioderate)	chlorpyrifos	©	Mod	С	methomyl	<b>©</b>		Pyrethroid use will cause mite outbreaks as a
	diazinon	0		P	esfenvalerate	<b>©</b>	Mod	result of disrupting biological control. In additon, mite outbreaks would entail more
	dimethoate	● - ◎	High	P	permethrin	<b>©</b>	High	miticide applications with a high potential for development of resistance (already noted for
	methyl parathion	©		О	Bacillus thuringiensis			esfenvalerate)
	phosmet	٥	Mod					<b>Bacillus thuringiensis</b> efficacy is temperature dependent and requires multiple applications.

Site: Apples Region: North Central

Pest	Organophosphate	Efficacy	Mkt		Class	Alt. Pesticide List	Efficacy	Mkt	Constraints of Alternatives
Timing: Pre-Bloom									
Scale	chlorpyrifos	<b>©</b>	High		О	petroleum oil	©	High	Oil efficacy is dependent upon suitable weather
(Moderate)	diazinon	О							conditions and may cause phytotoxicity at temperatures below 40°F.
	dimethoate		Mod						
	methyl parathion	O							
Mites	azinphos-methyl		Mod		С	carbaryl	0	Lo	Pyrethroid use will cause mite outbreaks as a
(Minor)	phosmet		Low		C	methomyl	0	Lo	result of disrupting biological control. In additon, mite outbreaks would entail more
					С	oxamyl	•-0	Lo	miticide applications with a high potential for development of resistance.
					P	esfenvalerate		Lo	Oil efficacy is dependent upon suitable weather
					P	permethrin		Lo	conditions and may cause phytotoxicity at temperatures below 40°F.
					СН	endosulfan	☺		temperatures below 40 F.
					O	chinomethionate		Lo	
					O	clofentezine	● - ☺	High	
					О	formetanate hydrochloride	☺	Lo	
					O	hexythiazox	☺	Mod	
					O	petroleum oil	⊚	High	
					0	propargite		Lo	
Fruit/Bud Moth	azinphos-methyl		High		С	carbaryl		Lo	Pyrethroid use will cause mite outbreaks as a result of disrupting biological control. In
(Minor)	chlorpyrifos		Lo		P	esfenvalerate		Lo	additon, mite outbreaks would entail more miticide applications with a high potential for development of resistance.
	methyl partathion		Lo		P	permethrin		Lo	Pheromones are commercially unproven.
	phosmet		High		О	pheromone			

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Pest	Organophosphate	Efficacy	Mkt	Class	Alt. Pesticide List	Efficacy	Mkt	Constraints of Alternatives
Timing: Pre	-Bloom							
Leafminer	azinphos-methyl		Mod	С	methomyl	O - ©	Mod	Control efficacy is dependent upon life stage
(Minor)	chlorpyrifos		Mod	C	oxamyl	oxamyl © being exposed	being exposed.	
	dimethoate	•		P	esfenvalerate	● - ◎	High	Efficacy of alternatives varies in relation to target species and area.
				P	permethrin	● - ◎	High	
				СН	endosulfan	•	Mod	
				О	formentate hydro.	0		
				0	imidicloprid	<b>©</b>	Lo	

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Apple production in the North Central Region (Michigan and Ohio) accounts for 13.6% of total acreage and 7.9% of production for the US. OP usage during the Pre-Bloom period in the North Central Region is 46.7% of all pesticide usage.

For secondary and indirect pests there are no alternative chemical controls available at this time.

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Pest	Organophosphate	Efficacy	Mkt		Class	Alt. Pesticide List	Efficacy	Mkt	Constraints of Alternatives
Timing: Post	-Bloom								
Codling	azinphos-methyl	<b>©</b>	High		С	carbaryl	<b>©</b>	Lo	Pyrethroids may flare many pests by killing
Moth (Major)	chlorpyrifos	<b>©</b>	High		C	methomyl	<b>©</b>	Lo	predators and beneficials. Pyrethroid use would lead to more miticide applications and
	diazinon	•			P	esfenvalerate	©	Lo	development of resistance.
	dimethoate	•	Lo		P	permethrin	©	Lo	Pheromone disruption of mating is a weak alternative for controlling Codling Moth but
	malathion		Lo		СН	endosulfan		Lo	would still require pesticide application.
	methyl parathion	<b>©</b>	Lo		В	Bacillus thuringiensis		Lo	
	phosmet	<b>©</b>	High		О	abamectin		Lo	
					O	imidicloprid		Lo	
					O	phermones			
Apple	azinphos-methyl	3	High		C	carbaryl	0	Lo	No acceptable alternative pesticides for control
Maggot (Major)	chlorpyrifos	•	Lo		C	methomyl	О	Lo	of Apple Maggot.
	diazinon	0			СН	endosulfan		Lo	<b>Pyrethroid</b> use will cause mite outbreaks as a result of disrupting biological control. In
	dimethoate	<b>©</b>	Lo		P	esfenvalerate		Lo	additon, mite outbreaks would entail more miticide applications with a high potential for
	malathion		Lo		P	permethrin		Lo	development of resistance.
	methy parathion	<b>③</b>	Lo						
	phosmet	©	High						

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Pest	Organophosphate	Efficacy	Mkt		Class	Alt. Pesticide List	Efficacy	Mkt	Constraints of Alternatives
Timing: Post-Bloom									
Leafroller	azinphos-methyl	<b>©</b>	High		C	carbaryl	•		Indications of leafroller resistance to
(Moderate)	chlorpyrifos	3	High		С	methomyl	<b>©</b>	Mod	methomyl.
	diazinon	О			P	esfenvalerate	<b>©</b>	Lo	Carbamate or Pyrethroid use will cause mite outbreaks as a result of disrupting biological
	dimethoate	• - ©			P	permethrin	©	Lo	control. In additon, mite outbreaks would entail more miticide applications with a high
	methyl parathion	©	Lo		СН	endosulfan		Lo	potential for development of resistance (already noted for esfenvalerate)
	phosmet	©	High		I	tebufenozide		Lo	Bacillus thuringiensis efficacy is temperature
					О	imidicloprid		Lo	dependent and requires multiple applications.
Aphid (Moderate)	azinphos-methyl		Mod		С	methomyl	0	Mod	Pyrethroid use will cause mite outbreaks as a
(Moderate)	chlorpyrifos	• - 😊	Mod		C	oxamyl	0	Lo	result of disrupting biological control. In additon, mite outbreaks would entail more
	dimethoate	● - ☺	Mod		P	esfenvalerate	•	Lo	miticide applications with a high potential for development of resistance.
	malathion		Lo		P	permethrin	•	Lo	Esfenvalerate and endosulfan do not provide
	methyl parathion	● - ◎			СН	endosulfan	•	Mod	adequate efficacy against aphids.
	phosmet		Lo		О	clofentezine		Lo	<b>Imidicloprid</b> resistance can be expected without other effective OP alternatives.
					О	imidacloprid	©	Mod	Oil efficacy is dependent upon suitable weather
					О	petroleum oil	• - ©	Lo	conditions and may cause phytotoxicity at temperatures below 40°F.

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Pest	Organophosphate	Efficacy	Mkt	Class	Alt. Pesticide List	Efficacy	Mkt	Constraints of Alternatives
Timing: Post	-Bloom							
Plum Curculio	azinphos-methyl	©	High	C	carbaryl	•	Lo	OP's are the only effective option for
(Moderate)	chlorpyrifos	О	Lo	С	methomyl	•		controlling Plum Curculio.  Pyrethroid use will cause mite outbreaks as a
	dimethoate		Lo	P	esfenvalerate	<b>©</b>	Lo	result of disrupting biological control. In additon, mite outbreaks would entail more
	methyl parathion	©	Lo	P	permethrin	©	Lo	miticide applications with a high potential for development of resistance.
	phosmet	©	High	О	imidicloprid		Lo	
Fruit/Bud	azinphos-methyl		High	C	carbaryl		Lo	Pyrethroid use will cause mite outbreaks as a result of disrupting biological control. In additon, mite outbreaks would entail more miticide applications with a high potential for development of resistance.
Moth (Minor)	chlorpyrifos		Lo	P	esfenvalerate		Lo	
	methyl partathion		Lo	P	permethrin		Lo	
	phosmet		High	О	pheromone			Pheromones are commercially unproven.
Bug	azinphos-methyl		High	C	methomyl	0	Mod	Pyrethroid use will cause mite outbreaks as a
(Minor)	chlorpyrifos		Mod	С	oxamyl	0		result of disrupting biological control. In additon, mite outbreaks would entail more
	dimethoate	©		p	esfenvalerate	©	Lo	miticide applications with a high potential for development of resistance.
	methyl parathion	•		p	permethrin	<b>©</b>		r
	phosmet		High	СН	endosulfan	•	Lo	
				О	formetanate hydrochloride			

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Timing: Post-Bloom									
Leafhopper (Minor)	azinphos-methyl		High		С	carbaryl	<b>©</b>	Lo	Pyrethroid use will cause mite outbreaks as a result of disrupting biological control. In additon, mite outbreaks would entail more miticide applications with a high potential for development of resistance.  Imidicloprid resistance can be expected without other effective OP alternatives.
	chlorpyrifos		Mod		С	methomyl	<b>©</b>	High	
	dimethoate	•	Lo		C	oxamyl	<b>©</b>	Lo	
	methyl parathion		Lo		P	esfenvalerate	0	Lo	
	phosmet				P	permethrin		Mod	
					СН	endosulfan	•	Lo	
					О	formentate hydro.	<b>©</b>		
					О	imidicloprid	©	Mod	
					О	soap	0		
Scale (Minor)	azinphos-methyl		Mod		C	carbaryl		Lo	Oil efficacy is dependent upon suitable weather conditions and may cause phytotoxicity at temperatures below 40°F.
	chlorpyrifos	©	High		C	methomyl		Mod	
	diazinon	O			О	oil	<b>©</b>		
	methyl parathion	О	Lo						
Borer (Minor)	chlorpyrifos		High		C	methomyl		Lo	<b>Pyrethroids</b> may flare many pests by killing predators and beneficials. Pyrethroid use against Fruitworm would lead to increased miticide applications with potential for development of resistance.
	methyl parathion		High		P	esfenvalerate		Lo	
	phosmet		Lo		P	permethrin		High	
					СН	endosulfan		Lo	

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Pest	Organophosphate	Efficacy	Mkt		Class	Alt. Pesticide List	Efficacy	Mkt	Constraints of Alternatives
Timing: Post-Bloom									
Leafminer (Minor)	azinphos-methyl		High		С	methomyl	O - ©	High	Pyrethroids may flare many pests by killing predators and beneficials. Pyrethroid use against Fruitworm would lead to increased miticide applications with potential for development of resistance.  Efficacy of alternative pesticides vary in relation to target species.
	chlorpyrifos		Mod		С	oxamyl	<b>©</b>	Lo	
	dimethoate	•	Lo		P	esfenvalerate	● - ◎	Mod	
					P	permethrin	● - ◎	Mod	
					СН	endosulfan	•	Mod	
				-	О	formentate hydro.	0		
					О	imidicloprid	☺	Mod	
Fruitworm (Minor)	azinphos-methyl		High		С	carbaryl		Lo	Pyrethroids may flare many pests by killing
	chlorpyrifos	<b>©</b>	High		С	methomyl	0	Lo	predators and beneficials. Pyrethroid use against Fruitworm would lead to increased
	diazinon	•			P	esfenvalerate	<b>©</b>	Lo	miticide applications with potential for development of resistance.
	methyl parathion	•	Lo		P	permethrin	☺	Mod	
	phosmet		High						

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

Apple production in the North Central Region (Michigan and Ohio) accounts for 13.6% of total acreage and 7.9% of production for the US. OP usage during the Post-Bloom period in the North Central Region is 80.9% of all pesticide usage.

Apple Maggot, Plum Curculio, and Codling Moth are direct pests (fruit feeders) and the most important pests controlled by OP's in the North Central Region. Failure to control these 3 pests would have a 70-90% impact on apple production in this region. Use of Pyrethroids in place of OP's to control these pests will flare many secondary pest populations by killing predators and beneficials.

Phermone disruption of mating is a weak alternative to OP's but only in instances where field populations are low or have been previously chemically supressed.

For Apple Maggot, Plum Curculio, secondary and indirect pests there are no alternative chemical controls available at this time.

Pest Importance: Major = 20+% of all OP usage on pest; Moderate = 5-20% of all OP usage on pest; Minor = <5% of all OP usage on pest Efficacy Rating: Excellent = ⊚ Good = O Fair = ● --- = Not rated for efficacy in state recs.

 $Market\ Share:\ High=20+\%\ OP\ usage\ on\ pest;\ Med=5-20\%\ of\ all\ usage\ on\ pest;\ Lo=<5\%\ of\ all\ usage\ on\ pest;\ ---=not\ available\ for\ 1994-96.$ 

Insecticides: C = Carbamates; P = Pyrethroids; CH = Chlorinated Hydrocarbons; IGR = Insect Growth Regulators; B = Biological; O = Other pesticide

**Region: North Central** 

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